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SUBJECT: POPULAR COMMITTEES

1. QADHAFI' S " POPULAR REVOLUTION" IS NOT MAKING MUCH NEWS THESE DAYS. THERE ARE TWO ASPECTS TO IT, ARRESTS BY THE LARG AND DIRECT COMMITTEE ACTIVITY. THE TWO MAY BE RELATED, AS WHEN A COMMITTEE ASKS FOR SOMEONE TO BE ARRESTED, BUT AS A RULE THEY ARE NOT. PUBLICLY QADHAFI STRESSES ONLY THE COMMITTEE ACTIVITY, AND IMPLIES THIS ACCOUNTS FOR ANY ARRESTS.

2. ASU SECGEN BASHIR HAWADI HAS BUREAUCRATIZED THE COMMITTEE BUSINESS FURTHER. LNA REPORTS THAT AT A MEETING OF THE ASU SECRETARIAT:

" IT HAS BEEN AGREED TO SET UP THREE STRUCTURES AT THE A. S. U. , DIRECTLY UNDER THE SECGEN, AS FOLLOWS:

1 - STRUCTURE FOR FOLLOW- UP OF ESTABLISHING POPULAR COMMITTEES.

2 - STRUCTURE FOR FOLLOW- UP OF DECISIONS ADOPTED BY POPULAR COMMITTEES.
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3 - STRUCTURE FOR FOLLOW- UP OF EXECUTION OF DECISIONS.

" THESE STRUCTURES WILL BE SET UP AT THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT WITH BRANCH STRUCTURES AT ALL GOVERNORATES.

" THE NEW SCHEME WILL PROVIDE POSITIVE RESULTS INCLUDING THE FACT THAT THE RCC WILL ALWAYS HAVE A CLEAR PICTURE ON ALL MATTERS RELATED TO POPULAR COMMITTEES."

3. CONNOISSEURS OF REVOLUTIONS MAY ALSO APPRECIATE THE FOLLOWING STORIES WHICH ARE PROBABLY TRUE THOUGH THEY MAY SIGNIFY NOTHING MORE THAN THE LIBYAN FACTOR:

A. ONE UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE VOTED TO DEPRIVE A DEAN NOT ONLY OF HIS POSITION BUT OF HIS PH. D. (AMERICAN).

B. THE BANK OF LIBYA COMMITTEE DESCENDED ON THE LIBRARY OF THE BANK TO SCREEN BOOKS, BUT DEPARTED TO THINK IT OVER WHEN THE LIBRARIAN, IN ACQUIESCING TO THE SEARCH, ASKED THAT A RECORD BE LEFT BEHIND OF WHO BURNED WHICH BOOKS.

C. THE STAFF COMMITTEE AT THE TRIPOLI ASYLUM DEMANDED THE DIRECTOR LEAVE, WHICH HE DI D. THE DOCTORS OF THE ASYLUM THEN OBTAINED AN RCC MEMBER' S DECISION FOR HIM TO RETURN. HE REFUSED. (COMMENT: UNLESS THE COLONEL INTERVENES, THE ONLY REMEDY IS PATIENTS.)

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